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THOMAS O'KEEFE, newly appointed principal at Agawam Junior High School.

Betterments Goal Set At \$700

By Stuart Parker

The committee appointed to ease assessments of sewerless homeowners in Feeding Hills has targeted a \$700 fee to replace the \$2,000 assessment originally planned by Town Council.

In earlier council maneuvers October 19th, Councilors Fred Nardi, Don Rhéault, and Walter Kerr spearheaded a movement to have the ordinance requiring betterment assessments rescinded. More recently since the election, Daniel Lacienski, councilor-elect from Precinct II, said, "The first order of business is to have the ordinance rescinded."

Councilor Richard Theroux, chairman of the committee seeking funds for the Phase II sewer project, responded that "to rescinding the ordinance would defeat the purpose and efforts of the committee."

He added that the \$700 assessment goal had been accepted unanimously by the committee, which includes representatives from the homeowners affected by the ordinance.

"We'd like to say this sewer project could easily be paid for with town funds and with no burden to the homeowner," Theroux declared, "but with other town commitments and Proposition 2½, that just isn't possible."

Theroux termed another committee meeting "unproductive" until the council knew exactly how much reimbursement will be forthcoming from the state's Cherry Sheet. He predicted the possibility of another meeting in two weeks.

Wilfred Daignault, chairman of the citizens' Sewerless Homeowners Committee, said he was not satisfied with the prospect of paying a total per-home bill of \$1,200 for sewers and that he will seek another meeting with the full council.

"I'm concerned that the issue may become dormant now that the elections are over," Daignault commented. "It's up to us to get things moving again."

Superintendent of Public Works John P. Stone reported the project was going ahead according to schedule and should be completed with eighteen months as contracted.

"We're taking the preparatory steps of photographing the area and clearing trees from outside the roadway, which we expect to complete this winter," Stone said.

O'Keefe Named AJHS Principal

By Joanne Brown

The School Committee has unanimously appointed current Clark School Principal Thomas E. O'Keefe to the top post at Agawam Junior High School. O'Keefe will fill the vacancy created when Paul Taturo officially moved up to assistant superintendent on November 1st.

O'Keefe was Superintendent of Schools James Bruno's recommended choice from the top three men interviewed by the board last Tuesday. He was also the top contender chosen by a three-member screening team who interviewed candidates prior to Bruno.

Others included as final prospects were David Bates, current assistant principal at Agawam High, and Ralph Zavarella, home-school adjustment counselor in the system.

In presenting his choice, Bruno declared, "Mr. O'Keefe has shown himself to be a good and effective principal. Administration at any level requires certain fundamental techniques and qualities, and Mr. O'Keefe's evaluations under three superintendents display several commendations for excellent performance."

Bruno termed O'Keefe's appointment a "transfer of a promotional nature."

O'Keefe is an Agawam native, a 22-year veteran of the school system. He earned a bachelor's and a master's degree at Westfield State College and is certified for elementary and secondary principal, assistant superintendent, and superintendent.

When asked what he can bring to the Junior High from his position as an elementary principal, O'Keefe replied, "I believe a knowledge of basic education and an understanding of how teaching is done is an asset at the secondary level. I feel I have something of myself to offer to the Junior High. I have children that age and feel a rapport with young adults on that age level."

O'Keefe has worked with individuals 14-21 years of age for the last four summers as a counselor in the Summer Youth Employment Program in town. He has also practice taught and substituted on the secondary level as well as having coached football at the junior varsity and varsity level.

He indicated to board members that he will enforce discipline through his teachers. "Policy is the key to discipline at the secondary level," he stated. "A principal must make the policy clear to his staff and students and then provide consistent follow-up and support of teachers who enforce that policy."

He suggested the junior high level might be the time to present "shock tactics" regarding the use of drugs and alcohol "before students get into trouble at the high school." He emphatically stated there was no drug problem in Agawam at the elementary level and said no drug program at the Junior High could be effective without a prior "building block" at the Middle School.

O'Keefe noted that parental involvement is essential to a good school system, especially in the area of discipline. He also recommended detailing the courses offered at the Junior High to parents at the time their children sign up for them. In addition, he proposed a type of "outreach" program whereby intellectually able junior-high aged students could attend high school classes on their ability level with parental permission.

O'Keefe also indicated a tentative plan to tap the "wealth of talent" within Agawam's senior citizen population to close the gap between that age group and junior high youngsters.

"Senior citizens pay a large percentage of the town's taxes, but often don't know much of what's taking place in schools," he commented. "On the other hand, junior-high aged kids can benefit from relating to older individuals and a perfect way to arrange this is to seek out volunteer senior citizens willing to share their talents with students."

The date for O'Keefe to assume his new post will be set at next Tuesday's special board meeting called to interview top candidates for the principalship of the Agawam Middle School.



TOP VOTE-GETTER in the Council-At-Large race, Peter Mazza has already taken his place on the Town Council, filling the seat vacated by Elena Bonavita's resignation. Photo by Jack Devine.

Mazza Assumes Vacant TC Seat

By Stuart Parker

Peter Mazza, who edged out Dennis Roberts by 38 votes for first place in the town's councilor-at-large race November 3rd, assumed his council seat on November 4th. Mazza filled the vacancy left by Elaine Bonavita, who resigned to leave town.

Roberts and other newly-elected councilors will not take office until January.

Mazza said above all else he sensed a spirit of cooperation at his first council meeting. He also felt there was impetus from the voters throughout the campaign for the council to work in harmony.

"I doubt we're going to see a 15-0 vote on every issue, but I do see potential for greater cohesiveness," said Mazza.

He continued, "It will take people working in good faith to bridge the gaps the council has incurred."

He declared that, for a more constructive council, it is important to "head off issues before they become full-blown."

Mazza also suggested the budget and other issues before the council be more open to the public. "The citizens should have an opportunity to judge proposals and, with this, the council vote would be more consistent with the desires of the electorate," he explained.

To achieve this goal, Mazza intends to establish office hours twice a month on a Saturday morning or evening.

"People can come to me with their concerns and let me know what action they expect me to take," he said. "Accessibility is vital for a more open and responsive government."

Mazza said his experience in education, law and business administration have made him a good listener, and through his work, he was often called on by those seeking solutions to their problems.

"I ran in this race to apply the experience I've had working with people and render it as a service to the citizens of Agawam," Mazza commented.

Court House Gets Last Liquor License

By Stuart Parker

The Court House Racquetball Club of 60 North Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, was awarded the town's only available liquor license for "The Judges Chambers," a restaurant within the club whose patrons will be restricted to members and their guests only.

Carlo Bonavita had also contended for the available license to open his Carmel Corners building at 163 Silver Street as a restaurant featuring Italian-American food.

Liquor License Commission Chairman Joseph Dahdah said of the November 5th decision, "The owners of the Court House came to us prior to construction of the building. They have since invested over \$1,000,000 in the facility and have done a good job of separating the restaurant from the rest of the club."

Joseph Pacella, one of the club's owners, emphasized there would be checks conducted at the club's main entrance to insure that only members and their guests entered. Other checks within the restaurant will verify an individual's age for drinking alcoholic beverages.

The Court House should receive the license in not more than thirty days, according to Dahdah.

The restaurant will have a plush setting, live music, and a capacity to seat eighty people. The club, as a whole, is expected to employ twenty people, fifteen

Package Store Opens



EMPLOYEES AT THE NEWLY OPENED Southgate Liquors located on Suffield St. in the Southgate Shopping Plaza are, left to right, Gary Remillard, Ann Sorel, and Donald Sorel. Photo by Jack Devine.

New Special Ed. Positions Approved

By Joanne Brown

At their meeting last Tuesday night, the School Committee approved adding a second resource room for special needs students at Agawam High School. This additional class will be staffed by one fulltime and one fulltime aide, both to be paid through existing grant funds.

Director of Special Education Joseph Costanzo termed the need for a second resource room to be "urgent" as 57 students are presently assigned to the one existing teacher and her one aide. He noted there was a large diversity of special handicaps within the group of 57, and with the class overloaded as it is, not all needs can be met.

Costanzo pointed out the existence of grant funds available to hire an additional special education teacher and aide at no cost to the town. He estimated the school system will save approximately \$25,000 by hiring the additional personnel because some students currently placed out-of-district can be brought back to the local system.

Board members approved the recommendation of Superintendent of Schools James Bruno to transfer Mrs. Joan Durand from her current position in Phelps School's resource room to the new post at the high school. Mrs. Durand was cited as having the necessary expertise to deal with academically low-functioning special needs students.

An aide will also be hired to work with Mrs. Durand, and a longterm substitute will be employed to replace her at Phelps.

New Position Created At Phelps

The School Committee also approved creating a new position of teacher/counselor to assist with special education programs at Phelps School, especially in the Resource Room II and the Developmental Learning Center.

They accepted Bruno's and Costanzo's statement that such action will reduce the number of students being sent out-of-district and will permit some to be returned to Agawam. Costanzo estimated a savings to the town of \$27-29,000 through such action.

Costanzo emphasized that both of these alterations in the special education program will strengthen Agawam's in-house staff as well as improve its own services and thereby reduce the need to place students in programs set up through collaboratives or other institutions.

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Court House Opens This Weekend!

By Stuart Parker

"It's a social and physical fitness facility with a touch of the Sheraton in Agawam's backyard," is the way Ralph DePalma describes the four-month and \$1,000,000 sensation known as The Court House.

Construction began on the Court House Racquetball Club at 60 North Westfield Street last July 13th, and the club is due to open its doors this Saturday, November 14th, offering its patrons much more than its name might suggest.

Many of the area's facilities have concrete or synthetic floors in their courts, which can be irritating to the player who is serious about racquetball and plays for more than a few minutes at a time.

The Court House started with concrete, then laid out a frame of 2 X 3's fortified with rubber, then plywood, and finally white maple.

"A person's legs will last a lot longer, and there won't be the chronic knee injuries from pounding on a hard surface," DePalma explained.

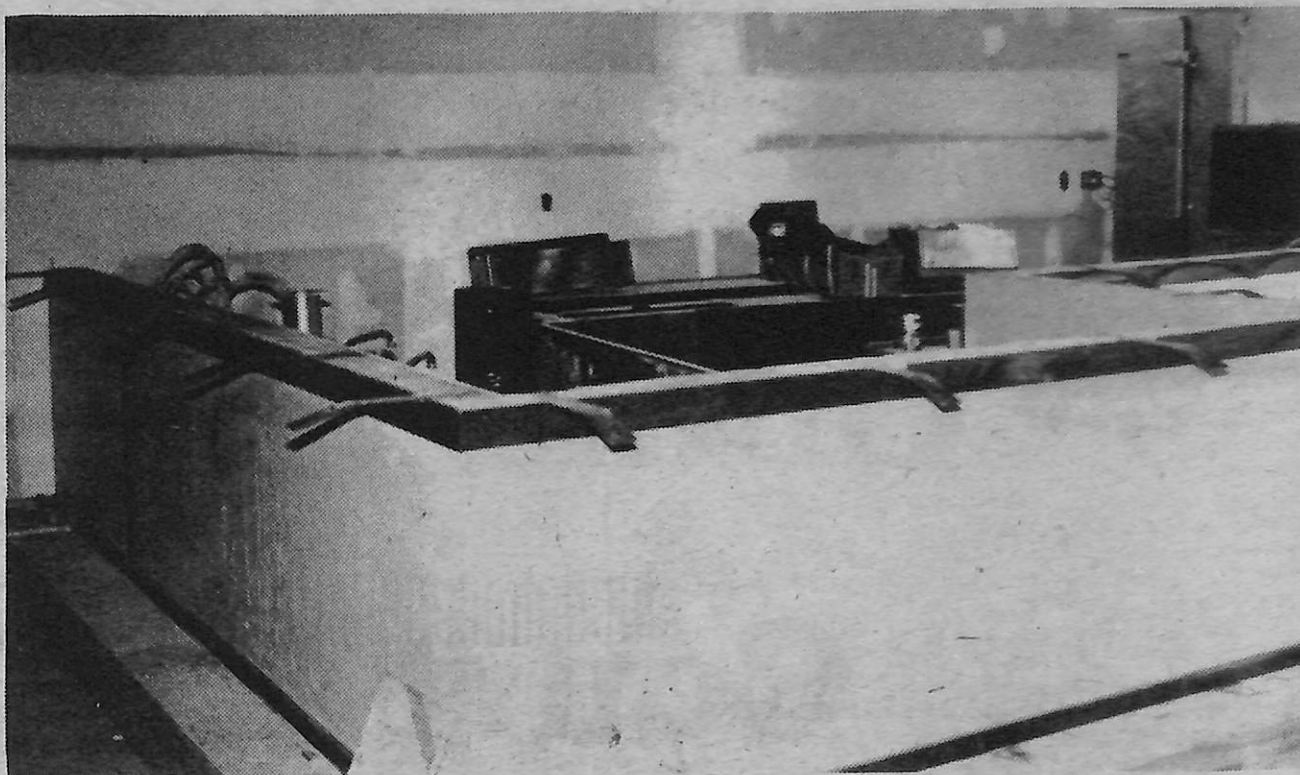
The ten courts are regulation size and have windows on the second floor for spectators. Two courts expected to be used for tournaments have a wall of glass which will allow the curious to peer in from either the main or second floor.

Even lighting has been regulated carefully. The court lights are metal halide and were chosen because they throw off no heat.

Those uninitiated to the art of racquetball need not worry as the Court House offers free lessons in groups of four to members.

However, the Court House is in no way limited to racquetball, and the extras are what make it unique.

It offers private sauna rooms, locker rooms, and separate weight exercise rooms for men and women featuring "World class Gymnasium Equipment as well as Tunturi bikes. The heat and air conditioning



UNFINISHED, THE JUDGES CHAMBERS are not much to look at, but at the official opening of the Court House racquetball and Fitness club scheduled for this Saturday, November 14th, patrons will be able to enjoy the plush surroundings the finished product will display. Photo by Jack Devine.

for these rooms run on a separate circuit from those that will service the dining room, nursery and other

areas.

In addition to racquetball court time, the Court House features racquetball leagues, weight programs, wallyball leagues, aerobic dancing, self defense, and slimnastics. It also has a basketball court and will have men's and women's basketball leagues beginning in January.

A free nursery service will be available to members with children, and athletes' appetites will be appeased in The Judges Chambers, a plush restaurant equipped with a bar and live music. Their menu ranges from appetizers to a six-ounce Justice Warren Burger.

DePalma said the social and athletic services offered by the Court House were complimentary.

"People know our price is competitive," he said referring to the 1,200 memberships already accrued. Of these, 95% are family memberships which cost only \$140. per year.

If memberships continue to soar, principal owners DePalma, William Lemieux, and Joseph Pacella hope to add a swimming pool and tennis courts to their varied athletic line up.

When the Court House opens this Saturday, patrons will be treated to a tournament match with proceeds going to the Cystic Fibrosis Fund.

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Clearinghouse Drive Begins

The Agawam Clearinghouse, under the direction of the Agawam Junior Women's Club, has begun its 1981 Thanksgiving and Christmas drive.

Clearinghouse is a project that organizes the giving programs of several local organizations so that no duplications occur and as many families as possible can be served.

For the eighth consecutive year, Clearinghouse is under the direction of the Agawam Junior Women's Club, which is a member of the MSFWC and the GFWC. Mrs. Barbara Connery, 1981 chairperson of this project, asks individuals, churches, and civic groups in Agawam and Feeding Hills to consider donating.

Donations may be made in the form of canned, boxed or frozen goods, fresh fruits and vegetables, turkeys, personal checks, and cash.

For information on Clearinghouse or on where to send donations, please contact Mrs. Connery at 786-2671 or co-chairperson Mrs. Gail Pirnie at 786-5536.

Leonard House Goal Met

Mrs. Dorothy H. Martin, chairman of the tag sale held last Saturday to benefit the Capt. Charles Leonard House, reports their goal of \$700 was successfully attained.

Mrs. Martin would like to express appreciation to all who assisted in the success of the project which drew over 500 people. Many area businesses donated a wide range of articles for sale as did many individuals who gave household items, Christmas decorations, furniture, books, plants, costume jewelry, and clothing.

Mrs. Esther L. Reynolds was in charge of baked goods and refreshments.

Richard S. Brindle, president of the Leonard House Board of Trustees, expressed his elation at the excellent attendance at and success of the tag sale.

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AGAWAM CHAPTER OF UNICO NATIONAL presented member Joseph Masucci a plaque honoring him as their choice of Man of the Year. Honors were bestowed to Masucci, center, by Frank Chriscola Jr., left, and Tom Cascio, right, at the organization's dinner dance held last weekend. Photo by Jack Devine.

American Legion Plans Tag Sale To Benefit Home

The Wilson Thompson Post 185, American Legion, is sponsoring a tag sale on November 28th and 29th to benefit the post's building fund.

A membership supper will be held at the post to honor national and state officers on November 15th at 6 p.m.

Tickets for the variety show to be held at Agawam High School on November 19th at 7 p.m. are available free of charge at the post home.

Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service Planned

A townwide service of Thanksgiving will be held Sunday evening, November 22nd, at 7:30 in the sanctuary of the First Baptist Church in Agawam.

Clergy from the various churches will participate and the Reverend Leonard Cowan, vicar of St. David's Church, will speak on "Give Thanks to God in All Circumstances."

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Brenda Bonavita Engaged To Wed

Mr. and Mrs. Michael R. Bonavita of 169 Maynard Street, Feeding Hills, have announced the engagement of their daughter Brenda to Theodore V. Graziano, son of Mrs. Rose Graziano of Pineview Circle, Agawam, and the late Arthur Graziano.

The bride-elect graduated from Agawam High School and is employed at Bay State Medical Centre. Her fiancé also graduated from Agawam High and is a salesman for S & S Distributing of West Springfield.

The couple plans an October 16, 1982, wedding.

Agawam Boosters Slate Breakfast On Thanksgiving

The Agawam Boosters Club is sponsoring a Thanksgiving Breakfast on November 26th at the Agawam High School cafeteria. Breakfast will consist of eggs, sausage, toast, coffee or milk for a donation of \$2.00.

Continuous servings will run from 7 to 9 a.m. preceding the Agawam/West Springfield football game. Tickets may be purchased at the door or by calling any member of the committee.

The committee is headed by co-chairmen Bob Josephson and James Crean. Other members are Rosemary Sandlin, Billy Yacteen, John Negrucci, Tony Ayre, Bill Euliano, Matt Blackak, and Dick DiLullo.

St. David's Bazaar Set

A Holiday Craft Fair and Bake Sale will be held at St. David's Church, 522 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, on November 21st for 10 to 4 o'clock.

Besides craft items and toys, luncheon will also be available.

Juniors To Meet; Seek Members

Members of the Agawam Women's Club will be guests at the November 17th meeting of the Agawam Junior Women's Club to be held at the Capt. Leonard House beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Civil Defense will be the topic of the evening's program. The speaker will provide information concerning Agawam and surrounding communities.

As the holidays approach, are you seeking a way to share a little of yourself, to join others for a good time, to do something worthwhile, to grow and to learn in the company of other young women? If so, the Agawam Junior Women's Club may give you this opportunity.

Club activities are already underway and new members are always welcome. The Agawam Junior Women's Club is a non-profit organization that directs all proceeds from fundraisers into civic or special projects in the Agawam area.

The local group is a member of the Massachusetts State Federation of Women's Clubs and the General Federation of Women's Clubs. Membership in the local chapter is open throughout the year to young women over 18.

St. Anthony's Slates Christmas Bazaar

The Holy Rosary Society of St. Anthony of Padua Church will hold a Christmas Bazaar on Friday, November 20th, from 6 to 9 p.m. and on Saturday, November 21st, from 10 to 7 o'clock in the church hall. Mrs. Eva Nascembeni is serving as chairman with Ms. Margaret Ardizoni, club president, as honorary chairman.

Committee members include Mrs. Dorothy Pilegi, Mrs. Dolores Gatti, Mrs. Mary Scherpa, Mrs. Tessie Tricinnella, Mrs. Stella Longhi, Mrs. Mary Provost, Mrs. Letizia Pisano, Mrs. Jennie Tenzzone, Mrs. Alice Pescetta, Mrs. Mary Truscetti, Mrs. Roseanne Fiorini, and Mrs. Norma Wescott.

A white elephant booth will feature many unusual items, and a booth called "Everything Is Homemade" will feature macaroni, sauce, cakes, pies, cookies and preserves.

Christmas ornaments, knitted objects, home decor articles and plants will also be on sale at reasonable prices.



NANCY GAVALIS & EMMA CROSS, two of the volunteers who staff the Trading Post at the Agawam Baptist Church, look over some of the merchandise available at bargain rates. Photo by Jack Devine.

Trading Post Offers New-Old Bargains

The Trading Post, located at the First Baptist Church on the corner of Main and Elm Streets in town, offers many bargains to help families stretch their budgets.

In their 26th year of operation, the post is run on a strictly volunteer basis and is open most Wednesdays through the school year, except for holidays.

They are well-stocked for all ages and members of the entire family and, in addition to clothing, offer small household items, drapes, kitchen articles, knick-knacks, games, and paperback books.

The Trading Post is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Wednesdays each week.

Grange Schedules Meeting

Community Grange will meet at the Grange Home on North West Street on Tuesday, November 17th, at 7:30 p.m. Prior to the meeting, a harvest supper for new members will be held at 6:30.

During the business meeting, the Third and Fourth Degrees will be conferred with Master Pauline Provost doing the degrees. A rehearsal for the degree work will be held Sunday, November 15th, at 6:30 at the Grange Home.

A social hour will follow the meeting with Sophie and Michael Demko as co-chairmen assisted by Rachel Foakes and Gertrude Nilson.

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Thursday, November 19th
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Friends and Neighbors

By Rita White

We have a small celebrity here in town. I say small because she is only 7½ years old. She is **MILISSA LEE PARENTELA**, daughter of **KEN AND CINDY PARENTELA** of 143 Valley Brook Road, Feeding Hills.

Milissa won the title of Mini Miss Massachusetts and went on to become Mini Miss New England, 1981-82. This past summer found her in Pittsburg, Pa., in the Sunshine International Finals where she won the title and crown for "Miss Classical Beauty 1981-82." At this same pageant she won a trophy in acrobatics for being in the top ten in talent, and an overall division for the 5-6-7 age bracket.

Milissa models for Studio 5 of Westfield, Ma., and she has also modeled for Photographic Studios of Westfield. This past spring, she won first runner-up for "Miss Spring Twirling Queen."

This past month, Missy entered the contest for modeling for Jordache for the G. Fox Stores. After having her picture chosen to represent the Holyoke Mall G Fox, she went to the finals in Westfarms Mall in Connecticut, where she had to demonstrate modeling in her Jordache jeans. There she was chosen to represent the children's category. She has also auditioned for modeling for the G Fox stores themselves and when she auditioned to music, her 2½ year old sister Tricia happened to be along and was asked to audition, too. Nothing like keeping it in the family. Tricia was also chosen. A real honor, but no surprise with 2 beautiful little girls. We'll be interested in following these two young ladies in their careers.

ELEANOR AND ED STEPANIK of Feeding Hills are wearing big smiles lately. They recently welcomed another grandchild into the family. **CAROL ANN STEPANIK LEE** and husband **ROBERT E. LEE** of Westfield added a son to the family, **ROBERT NICHOLAS**. Two-and-a-half year old sister, **WHITNEY ANNE** loves having a live baby-doll in the house. Just as proud are grandparents **EMILY AND HERBERT LEE** of Springfield, and we can't forget to mention great-grandparents, **ROSE and ROMAN JURCAK** of Ware, Mass. and **MARY THERESA FENCHEL** of Mulheim, Germany who happily was visiting here at the time of "Bobby's" birth.

The folks up at Pheasant Hill Village are enjoying themselves as usual. On November 1st, 30 residents and friends took a trip to Beverly, Mass. to see the **LE DAVID EXTRAVAGANCE MAGIC SPECTACULAR**. It was truly an extravaganza.

The show lasted two and one-half hours. The cast included 150 people who performed in beautiful costumes and with gorgeous settings in Mongolian and Chinese scenes. As if the show wasn't enough, the group then journeyed on to the Hawthorn Inn in Salem for a delicious dinner.

The group wishes to thank **DORIS and FRANK PARADISO** of Pheasant Hill Village for arranging this delightful trip.

The Senior Center has something of interest to everyone right now. They are selling coupons for a mere \$2 which entitle the holder to a beautiful 5x7 color picture. This professional photograph will be taken at the Senior Center on November 16, from 2 P.M. to 8 P.M.

The picture can be of just one person, or you can make it a family picture. Perhaps some of you young people out there who have a very limited gift budget for Christmas might like to go down and have a picture taken for Mom and Dad, or for your grandparents, or maybe even a gift for a girlfriend or boyfriend. I don't know anywhere you can get a professional photograph taken for that small amount. So, be sure to stop in at the Center and buy your coupon for this picture. It is even just a nice addition to the family album.

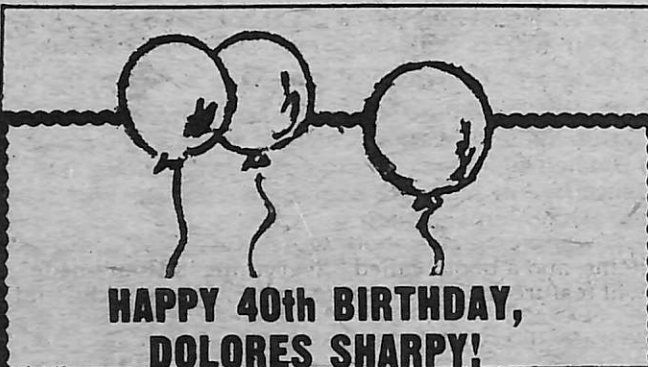
[If you have any items of social interest, please give Rita White a call at 786-4970. She'll be glad to include your information in her column to share with friends in town.]



Slate hearths and fireplace facings will benefit from a polishing with lemon oil, applied carefully after the slate is washed and dried. Wipe carefully to remove excess polish. Don't try to wax slate used for this purpose.



MILISSA LEE PARENTELA, daughter of Ken and Cindy Parentela of Feeding Hills, has become quite a celebrity at the tender age of 7½. [See "Friends & Neighbors.]"



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Agawam Native Successful Sociologist

By Rita White

One has to wonder if it was irony that caused Paul D. Montagna to take the part of a professor in the senior class play at Agawam High in 1953. Today, Paul is a professor of sociology at Brooklyn College after following a long road filled with many honors to get there.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Montagna of 49 Spencer Street, Paul followed high school graduation by earning a bachelor's degree in economics at American International College in 1958, a master's in business administration from Syracuse University in 1960, and a Ph.D. in sociology from New York University in 1967.

In the midst of his education, Paul served as a reservist on active duty in the Coast Guard from 1960-1966. He has worked his way up to his present position at Brooklyn College from a beginning as graduate assistant.

Over the years, he has received various grants for research from both state and federal governments. In addition, he has served as a research coordinator for Brooklyn College on many occasions.

Somewhere in his busy schedule, he fits in being a reader for several scholarly periodicals such as *American Sociological Review*, *The Sociological Quarterly*, and *Sociology of Work and Occupations*.

He has served on committees for many organizations and acted as consultant for many more.

Paul has written two books of his own: *Certified Public Accounting: A Sociological Analysis of a Profession in Change* and *Occupations and Society: Toward a Sociology of the Labor Market*. Added to these books are numerous articles for many technical and professional publications.

Dr. Montagna's most recent honor was receiving the German Marshall Fund of the United States fellowship which was awarded for outstanding achievement in his field. This study took him to several European cities for research into international firms.

Paul, who is currently writing his third book, is married and has two children. He and his family reside in Rye, Port Chester, New York.

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All of the houses can be added to with extra rooms, dormers, porches, and patios. All styles of windows are available including bays, bows, and those that slide up and down.

Although the kits all come with easy instructions and are grooved and marked for assembly, Mallette does not recommend attempting to assemble one the night before Christmas as the task will require some time.

After the house is built, it can be finished off with either paint, siding, brick, or shingles - all available at the Country Dollhouse's miniature lumberyard. Everything is scaled one inch to the foot including siding, clapboards, mouldings, and baseboards.

Of course, wiring to light up the little lamps will be needed, and wiring kits may be purchased along with a wide variety of lighting fixtures.

Mrs. Mallette is the expert to see about finishing the dollhouse. She provides a mini-wallpaper book to leaf through with mini prints from well-known collections of Schmacher and Williamsburg designs. Wall-to-wall rugs in many colors come in 17½" X 17½" sizes along with petit point rug kits and oriental styles.

All types of accessories - even a dollhouse for the dollhouse - are offered. Sample rooms of mini furniture are on display separated by room dividers with tiny bricks handmade by Mallette. Victorian, modern, and colonial furniture styles are available, though Mrs. Mallette says colonial is most popular.

Some of the furniture is hand-crafted, and especially unusual are small rush chairs made by retired Chicopee fireman R.E. Shiniale. Other furniture is sold in kits for the do-it-yourselfers. A full library of plans for building one's own dollhouse, making furniture, and sewing bedspreads and curtains is available.

On display in the shop is a detailed replica of a colonial cabinet shop, circa 1770, which contains tiny handmade tools and nails all created by Joseph Daniele of East Longmeadow, author of *Building Miniature Furniture* and *Building Masterpiece Miniatures*.

As a hobby, dollhouses can be both educational and enjoyable.

SKIP AND MARION MALLETTE, owners of the recently established Country Dollhouse, stand ready to assist all patrons in their dilemma over which of their exquisite miniature creations to choose. Photo by Jack Devine.

By Dorine Kubik

Can't seem to find the right gift for that special girl on your list? A dollhouse from Country Dollhouse might be just your answer.

Country Dollhouse is owned and operated by Mrs. Marion Mallette at 300 Springfield Street, Agawam. It is situated right next door to Federal Specialties, Inc., owned by her husband, Skip. Both stores are side by side at O'Brien's Corner.

The Mallettes became interested in the dollhouse venture after they built and furnished two dollhouses for their granddaughters, Angela Nunziato of Agawam and Erin Moriarty of New Mexico. They enjoyed the experience so much they decided to share their fun with everyone.

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Q. What is the metric system?

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Town Cookbook

By
Mary Ann Govoni

With so many people on diets or those who must restrict their salt intake for health reasons, I'll give you two recipes that are easy to prepare and are most enjoyable.

LOW SODIUM MEATLOAF

- 2½ lbs. ground chuck
- 1 C. celery chopped finely
- ½ C. carrots chopped finely
- ½ Tsp. minced garlic
- 2 eggs
- 2 C. unsalted cracker crumbs
- 1 C. unsalted tomato juice
- 1/8 Tsp. pepper
- 1 Large onion chopped finely
- 3 hard boiled eggs sliced

Combine chuck, celery, carrots, garlic, eggs, onions, cracker crumbs, tomato juice, and pepper. Mix well and pack half of the mixture into a greased 9X5X2 in. loaf pan. Top the mixture with the sliced eggs, placed end to end. Press remaining mixture of meat firmly around and over the eggs. Bake in preheated oven 350° for one hour and 25 minutes or until loaf is firm. Loosen edges with a knife and unmold. Cut in slices and serve hot. 400 calories a serving.

SKINNY SLAW

- 1 Medium cabbage shredded
- 1 C. plain yogurt
- 1 Tbsp. low calorie mayonnaise
- ¼ C. shredded carrots
- 2 Tbsp. honey
- ½ Tbsp. vinegar
- ½ Tsp. salt
- ¼ Tsp. pepper

Mix yogurt, mayonnaise, carrots, honey, vinegar, salt and pepper well. Toss over the cabbage and mix well. Refrigerate at least one hour before serving. (Optional ¼-cup raisins may be added if you like.)

In the mail this week, I received a request for different varieties of Black Forest Cake. If anyone has a favorite, please send it to me so that I may pass it along to my readers. My address is 982 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, 01030.

Operation Friendship Plans Supper

A roast beef supper and Christmas bazaar is being planned by Operation Friendship of the Feeding Hills Congregational Church for Saturday, December 12th.

A corn chowder luncheon will be offered from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. during the bazaar which will run from 10 to 7 o'clock. Corn chowder, crackers, rolls, beverage, and pie will cost \$1.50.

The bazaar will feature home-baked foods and candy, old, but new items, toys, knitted and crocheted articles, plants, Christmas wreaths and decorations, white elephant items, and a wishing well.

The roast beef supper will be served continuously from 5 to 7 o'clock and reservations are necessary. Seating will be provided free of charge.

The menu consists of fruit cup, roast beef, mushroom gravy, whipped potatoes, string beans, tossed salad, rolls and butter, poke cake, beverage. Tickets are \$4.50 for adults and \$2.25 for children under 12.

For reservations, call Mrs. Yvonne Sadleir at 786-5061 or Mrs. Betty Kopy at 786-5144.

Operation Friendship is a youth-exchange program which brings foreign youngsters to Agawam and places Agawam youths in other countries for various lengths of time.

Storowton Plans Herbal Luncheon

Storowton Village announces its fall Harvest Herbal Luncheon to take place on November 16th at noon at the Meeting House Basement.

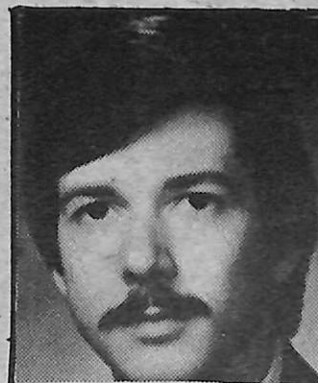
Fall harvest menu is Brandy Alexander Punch with miniature cheese logs, fresh broccoli soup, chicken breasts with herb stuffing, pineapple chutney, buttered carrots seasoned with brown sugar, nutmeg, and ginger, squash rolls with cardamon, and Marlborough pie.

Storowton's luncheons are held each season throughout the year. A variety of old-style dishes are presented which utilize the best buys of the season available at market.

Admission is by reservation only. Reservations may be made by calling Storowton Village at 736-0632 before 5 p.m. November 13th. Cost per ticket is \$5.50, tax included.

A Part Of Life...

By Peter Forastiere
Colonial
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Why Death Education?

People today are asking questions about funerals and death more than any other time in our history. The superstitions and taboos of years back have been replaced by an intellectual public starving for information for a better understanding of death and funerals.

As a funeral director committed to providing information on this sensitive subject to the community, I have spoken to many groups and have found a great deal of interest whether the audience be young or old.

My brother, Frank Forastiere, and myself have developed a series of education programs which involve speaking and audio-visual film strips on many interesting subjects related to death and funerals.

Our children and young adult programs deal separately with three grade levels: elementary, junior high, and high school.

The college and adult education program deals with problems people face before and after the death of a loved one. Also a consumer-oriented program explaining the need for a will and all of the other various components of planning ahead as one gets older is available.

Another interesting and informative program we have available deals with widows and widowers and problems faced during the first year of bereavement.

These programs have provided the average public with information on a very special and sensitive subject that few have had little knowledge of.

On Friday, November 13th, I will be a guest speaker on the Cele's Talk Show featured on WLDM Radio. On the show, I will speak on many areas involving death and funerals. Tune in from 12:30 to 1 p.m. - 1570 on the AM dial.

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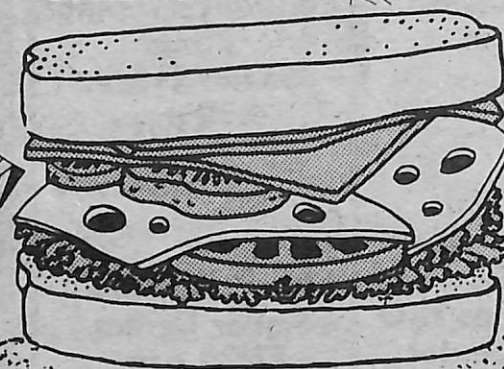
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Nostins Mark 60th



MR. & MRS. FRANK NOSTIN, SR. of 79 Stewart Lane recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with a party for 260 guests held at Chez Josef. They have four children and are active members of the Agawam Golden Agers Club. Photo by Jack Devine.

St. John's Slates Bazaar

The Christmas Bazaar at St. John's Church will be held on Saturday, December 5th, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the parish center.

Chairperson Mrs. James Doyle will be assisted by Mrs. James Morin, Mrs. Dominick Mailo, Mrs. Paul Owens, Mrs. William Beaudry, Mrs. John Morin, Mrs. Francis Capitanio, Mrs. Oliver Dion, Mrs. Stanley Ciempa, Mrs. Dorothy Frenette, Mrs. Philip DeForge, Mrs. Joseph Cancelliere, Mrs. David Gallano, Mrs. Richard Gingras, Mrs. Thomas McGovern, Mrs. Patrick Vassallo, Mrs. Rene Hamel, Mrs. David Wanat, and Mrs. Richard Conway.

Mrs. Ronald Meunier will chair the St. John's Guild Christmas Booth.

Proceeds from this bazaar will be donated to the church.

New Unicef Collection

UNICEF, the United Nations Children's Fund, has just issued its new 1981 Holiday Collection of cards, stationery, and gifts. UNICEF cards and gifts are sold around the world to benefit underprivileged children in 111 developing countries. Proceeds from the sale of these items help UNICEF provide basic health care and other human services for these children and their families. By purchasing UNICEF cards and gifts, Americans of all ages play a vital role in making these life-giving programs possible.

More information on UNICEF's 1981 Holiday Collections and its worldwide programs for children may be obtained by contacting Mrs. Andrea Greeley, 86 Silver Street, Agawam, Massachusetts, 786-4790.

For Senior Citizens... New Beginnings

By Rita White

Well, Seniors, the holidays are fast approaching and we all know what that means. It means rushing around to shop, get ready for company, wrap presents, etc.

Nine times out of ten, when the holidays are over, you find yourself exhausted. Try and pace yourself this year. Start now by beginning your preparations now. Whether you are planning for Thanksgiving or Christmas or both, it isn't too early to begin.

Sit down and make out some lists for yourself, such as what you need to buy for gifts, what you need to buy in the way of foods, what you will want to do in the way of getting your house ready, even what you may decide to wear for those occasions.

Start now by doing some shopping ahead of time. If you buy the things you need in the way of food items a few every week, it is easier to get through the check out lines, easier to put away a few grocery items each time and you can even start to prepare some of those things like pies and put them into the freezer.

Each time you buy a Christmas gift, wrap it as soon as you get it home. Somehow it won't seem so bad. It becomes a real chore when you have a table full of things to wrap and you find it is Christmas Eve. Check your dishes and glassware and linens now so that there won't be any last minute running around. Try to plan your holidays so that you can enjoy them yourself.

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The Agawam Cinemas are open again and for all you seniors out there who enjoy going to the movies and find it a strain on the purse, the cinemas are offering a special Wednesday matinee to all seniors for only \$1.00 each. And, of course, you avoid crowds of children, etc.

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A very happy birthday goes out to JESSIE TOMPKINS on November 15th. Many more Jessie.

Don't forget the hypertension clinic on November 17th for those with the initials H-O.

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Lunches sound good next week: Hope you are taking advantage of these great meals at a great price. Monday, hot dogs & beans; Tuesday, spinach pie; Wednesday, pepper steaks; Thursday, pork chops; and Friday, poached fish.

Spfld. Hadassah To Raffle A House

"A New Home for a New Year" is the theme of the Springfield Chapter of Hadassah's raffle of a house in Longmeadow.

The house is a three-bedroom Dutch colonial on a treed lot in a lovely residential area. It has six-plus rooms, 2½ baths, 2 fireplaces, and gas heat. Some of its extras include a screened porch and a finished basement.

Tickets at a cost of \$100 (not tax deductible) will be on sale at Jewish Community Center, corner Dickinson and Converse Streets, Springfield, Monday through Thursday from 7 to 9 p.m. and on Sunday from 10 a.m. to noon. You may also call 567-9384, 567-5574, or 567-7431.

A maximum of 2,000 tickets will be sold. In the event a minimum sale of 1,420 tickets is not met, money will be refunded to ticketholders.

The raffle will be held on January 4, 1982, with State Representative Iris Holland drawing the ticket.



BEA LOISELLE displays some of the adorable stuffed animals which helped to make the bazaar held last weekend at the Senior Center such a tremendous success. Photo by Jack Devine.

The Christmas bazaar held by the Senior Center last weekend was a tremendous success. Lots of baked goods and craft items were on sale and there were plenty of customers. Two raffles were held, and Louise Faits won the beautiful oil painting by Angela Bachelder and Rose Hart won a lovely afghan donated by Mary Brown. Congratulations to both winners.

Many thanks to all those people who made the posters, worked at the bazaar all day, provided items for sale, and, of course, to those customers who came and made all the work worthwhile.

There was one item at the bazaar that is still available, and I recommend it to you all. You know, it seems to be almost a custom for grandparents to receive a picture of the grandchildren at Christmas. But when do the grandchildren get pictures of grandparents? I hear many people, grown now, who say they wish they had pictures of their parents and grandparents when they were older.

Well, here is a chance to keep that family album complete. You can purchase a coupon at the Senior Center for only \$2.00. Then on Nov. 16th, from 2 to 8 p.m. there will be a photographer at the center to take professional pictures.

You will receive a beautiful 5 X 7 photo to give your family, friends, or spouse for Christmas, and there is no limit to the number of people in the picture so if you want to get a family photo for the album, bring the whole family down and have it done. I don't know where you can find such a bargain anywhere else. Just make sure and get your coupon ahead of time.

Springfield Church Schedules Bazaar

An old-fashioned Polish Christmas Bazaar will be sponsored by the Parish Council of Our Lady of the Rosary Church in the school hall on Franklin Street, Springfield on Sunday, November 15th, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

The event will recreate an old Polish holiday marketplace complete with folk costumes, entertainment, dancing, and gift booths. Traditional Polish food will be provided, and a Polish Sampler Dinner will be featured.

A live orchestra will offer traditional Polish music and well as contemporary American tunes. Typical bazaar fare will be available for purchase along with a unique collection of Polish folk art items.

The general public is invited. Admission is free.

Senior Events

Nov. 16th
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The Reading Room

By Rita White

This week coming up is, in my opinion, one of the most important in the book world. It is National Children's Book Week. I am an avid book reader, and I attribute my love of books to the fact that as a child I was always surrounded by books. My children read a great deal largely because they were introduced to the magical world of books very early in their lives.

Probably one of the greatest contributions we can make to our children's lives is to introduce them to books when they are too young even to read a word. Small children are fascinated by picture books, and as they learn to read, they find great joy in the friends they make in books.

I do not mean that all books have to be educational and teach them history or the like. Books are to be enjoyed. If a child is interested in anything particular, he/she will be interested in a book about it. As a small boy, my son was intrigued by dinosaurs. While he wasn't learning big scientific facts about dinosaurs, he did learn that anything he was interested in, he could enjoy through books.

With the Christmas holidays coming and gift-giving a major concern for us all with regards to children, be sure to include books on your list. No matter how young the child, there is something to please. We can all remember our delight at *Alice in Wonderland*, *Treasure Island*, *Little Women*, *Tom Sawyer*, *Black Beauty*, and more. These classics are always still around to entertain, but don't hesitate to look into today's books.

Authors today are giving us some truly beautiful books for children. Many of these authors live right here in the Pioneer Valley: Jane Yolen, Patty MacLachlan, Robert McClung, Jane Claypool Miner, Ann Turner, Julius Lester, Eric Carle, Ron Roy, but to name a few.

Don't feel it's hard finding books for children. All of the area bookstores do have sections set aside for children's literature, and there's a wonderful new store in our area called "A Likely Story" which is only a children's book store. It is located at 12 CourtHouse Place, close to the Tin Soldier in Springfield. There is even an area for the little toddlers to play while you do your browsing.

An opportunity to pick up some good bargains for children ages two to seven will be at a book fair held by the Springfield Action Commission's Project Head Start. The books will be on sale Monday, November 16th, from 10 to 3 o'clock at the Urban League of Springfield, 756 State Street; on Tuesday, Nov. 17th, from 11 to 3 at Baystate West's Mirror Court; and on Wednesday, Nov. 18th, from 10 to 1 at the Park Memorial Baptist Church at 4 Garfield St., Springfield.

This book fair is a worthy cause and gives you an opportunity to get your own "head start" on Christmas shopping or perhaps to pick up a birthday gift or book for a sick child. Open that wonderland for kids, head your list of gifts with books. In the weeks to come, I will try to mention some of the newer ones available that might interest you.



Owners and bank officials mingled together at the recent grand opening of the newly remodeled Expo Liquors on Memorial Avenue in West Springfield. Posing with owners Carlo and Mary Bonavita from Agawam (fourth and second from right) are, from left to right, Third National Bank officials James Huffmire, Ronald Kumiega, and Diane Fisher; Michael Zuraw, store manager; and Raymond Labbe, also of TNB. Photo by Jack Devine.

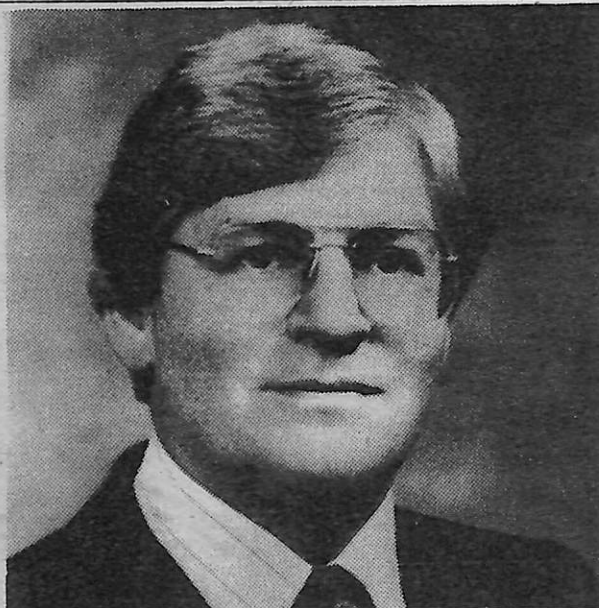
Bonavitas Remodel & Open Expo Liquors

Expo Liquors Inc., purveyors of wines, liquors and imported beers, today announced the grand opening of their newly remodeled and expanded package store at 1122 Memorial Avenue, West Springfield. The ribbon cutting took place on November 4th.

Mary C. and Carlo P. Bonavita, store manager and wife manager note that the store has a proud history,

being first operated by the Ferranti family since prohibition ended to 1978 when it was purchased by Expo Liquors.

The store, which is located just across from the Big E, is of modern design for customer convenience with wide aisles, free customer parking, an expanded product selection and a knowledgeable staff.



LUCIEN C. LEVESQUE

Westbank Names New V.P.

Lucien C. Levesque has been named Vice President of the Park West Bank and Trust Company, according to Theodore P. Kosier, President. He is in charge of Commercial Loan operations in Holyoke.

Mr. Levesque graduated from American International college, the Williams School Of Banking and the Business Development Institute in New York. He also completed the Dale Carnegie course and received both a general and standard certificate from the American Institute of Banking.

Mr. Levesque served with the U.S. Air Force as an interpreter and translator with the National Security Agency.

Mr. Levesque and his family live in West Springfield.

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EDITORIAL

Letters to the Editor

Committee Urges Rescinding Betterment Assessments

To The Editor:

The Sewerless Homes Committee has been fighting for fair and equitable charges on sewer installation since the Phase II proposal was announced in September.

During that time, we discovered that the betterments ordinance, although immediately affecting Phase II, will be the set rate for all homes in Agawam/Feeding Hills no matter what precinct the homes are in. Therefore, the Sewerless Homes Committee believes that what the Town Council does now sets the precedent for the entire community. It is thereby essential that the existing betterments ordinance be rescinded.

On Monday, November 16th, the Town Council meeting has on the agenda a motion for rescindment of the betterments ordinance. This motion comes to the floor because some of your councilmen believe, as the Sewerless Homes Committee does, that this betterments fee is excessive. However, the council and citizens committee that is attempting to find sources of alternative financing for the project has not yet given a final report.

Because the removal of the ordinance is the cornerstone to a fair and equitable solution for the entire town of Agawam, the Sewerless Homes Committee urges all to attend Monday's Town Council meeting and show support for rescindment.

However, the Sewerless Homes Committee will continue to work with the council to find the necessary funds for Phase II and beyond no matter what the outcome Monday or the length of time needed.

Wilfred E. Daignault
Chairman, Sewerless Homes Committee

Resident Protests 11th-Hour Letter

To The Editor:

The results of the election have left me with a bad feeling. The voters in this past election have been cheated out of their right to appeal their differences. The sewerless homeowners have been misled by the administration with an absolute last minute letter, on town stationery, and at the town's expense.

Why was this letter sent at the last minute when it couldn't be responded to? It is obvious to me that it was a political ploy.

Beyond that, why did the administration refuse to acknowledge the 1978 official election which clearly and specifically put the Chief of Police position in Civil Service, and beyond that even a decision of the courts stated that that election was a legal election.

Is this administration going to pull the same gimmick and ignore the results of this election and declare all the present town employees out of Civil Service?

It is not for me to make the decision - but - does this Civil Service victory put the Chief's position back into Civil Service?

Perhaps we can look forward to some changes with the increase of some new faces on the council.

As one councilor consistently puts it, "Let's go by the book."

D.E.E.

Disappointed Concerned Citizen

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LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF AGAWAM BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will give a hearing at Administration Building, Agawam, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 1981 at 8:00 P.M. o'clock to all parties interested in the appeal of CLIFFORD W. & PEARL L. PATINO who are seeking an extension of Special Permit No. 930 to allow the continued commercial use of a residence with less than the required setback Section 20, Paragraph 43 (a) at the premises known as 1419 MAIN STREET.

By order of the Board of Appeals,
Theodore A. Progulski, Chairman
Published: November 5 & November 12, 1981

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LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF AGAWAM PLANNING BOARD

The Agawam Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Thursday, November 19, 1981, at 8:00 P.M. in the Agawam Public Library, Cooper Street, Agawam, MA for the purpose of hearing the public comments on the petition of Matthew E. & Shirley L. Buynicki for the rezoning of land from Agriculture to Residential A-2, for land located to the rear of 216 South Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, MA, being more particularly described and bounded as follows:

Beginning at a point westerly of South Westfield Street, said point of beginning being a 4' X 4' concrete bound at the northwesterly corner of land N/F of E. Wayne Smith and Jean M. Smith as recorded in Book 3196, Page 178 said bound being also at the northeasterly corner of land N/F of Domenic DiDonato, Jr. and Elaine Marie DiDonato as recorded in Book 2848, Page 548, in the Town of Agawam, Hampden County, Massachusetts,

Thence running N.82° 29' 55" W. along the northerly line of lands now or formerly of the following:

Domenic DiDonato, Jr. & Elaine Marie DiDonato (2848/548); Julia T. Zajchowski (4293/111); Marion H. Hohol & Lena A. Hohol (3357/340); Richard E. Cosby & Sally L. Cosby (3346/229); J. Craig White (4221/280); Richard E. Bousquet & Carole Sue Bousquet (4392/184); James A. Crean & Anna M. Crean (3361/359); Joseph Chianciola & Susan J. Chianciola (3939/67); and Mark V Development Co., Inc. (4622/90), a total distance of 1211.41 ft. to a 4' X 4' concrete bound at land N/F of Mark V Development Co., Inc. (4622/90, see also Book of Plans 147, Pgs. 60 & 61), said bound being also at the southeasterly corner of Lot 41 as shown on said plan;

Thence running N.07° 47' 46" E. along the easterly line of Lot 41, the easterly terminus of Independence Road, the easterly line of Lot 40, and the easterly line of Lot 38 a total distance of 393.25 ft. to a 4' X 4' concrete bound at the southwesterly corner of land N/F of the Valley Community Church, Inc. (3120/404);

Thence running S.83° 49' 20" E. along the southerly line of said Valley Community Church, Inc. a distance of 590.93 ft. to a 4' X 4' concrete bound.

Thence running S.82° 25' 34" E. along the southerly line of said Valley Community Church, Inc. a distance of 628.17 ft. to an iron pipe at the northwest corner of Parcel No. 2, Land Court Plan No. 36013C;

Thence running S.08° 51' 00" W. along the westerly line of Parcel No. 2, and Parcel No. 3, Land Court Plan No. 36013C a total distance of 297.92 ft. to an iron pipe.

51' 00" W. a distance of 108.29 ft. to a 4' X 4' concrete bound at the point of beginning; said parcel being shown on a plan of survey for Matthew E. Buynicki and Shirley L. Buynicki by Rauchle Associates, revise-dated February 13, 1981.

BY ORDER OF THE AGAWAM PLANNING BOARD

Charles R. Calabrese, Chairman

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The Agawam Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Thursday, November 19, 1981, at 7:00 P.M. in the Agawam Public Library, Cooper Street, Agawam, MA, for the purpose of hearing the public comments on the petition of Thomas Russo, Jr., for the rezoning of land from Residential A-2 and Agricultural to Business A, situated at 204 Suffield Street, Agawam, MA, being more particularly described and bounded as follows:

deed description property at 204 Suffield Street, Agawam, Ma. owned by Thomas Russo, Jr. beginning at a stone bound on the westerly side of Suffield Street at the northeasterly corner of land of Paterson thence; along the westerly line of Suffield Street N 7 57 00E 251.85' thence; continuing along the westerly line of Suffield Street N 21 08 00 E 722.67' thence; along land now or formerly Shaw N 37 50 00 W 461.88' thence; along land of Ramah Realty Company, Inc. S 54 35 00 W 27.85' thence; along land of Ramah Realty Co., Inc. S 46 40 00 E 76.15' thence; along land of Ramah Realty Co., Inc. S 10 43 16 W about 115' thence; along the Industrial Zone line southerly about 700' thence; along land now or formerly of Strathmore Paper Company S 6 01 44 E 145' thence; along land of Paterson S 32 55 00 E 450.20 thence; along land now or formerly of Paterson S 81 46 30 E 219.93' to the point of beginning. Containing about 13.35 acres.

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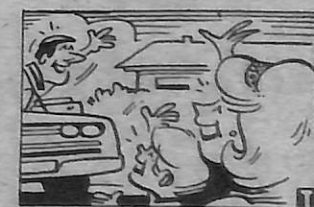


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SPORTSMEN'S CORNER

By Bill Chiba

A few years ago, I took time off from bowhunting to observe the federal boys' milk captured Connecticut River salmon. It was very interesting. It is amazing how, in a few minutes, they can tell whether the eggs are fertile or not. If they turn red, they are in good shape and will go to the incubation center. If they turn or remain white, they end up in the garbage can.

I missed the operation this year. However, from the reports that have been sent out, there will be over one million salmon eggs for distribution to different hatcheries for rearing. The salmon program is a success, and it won't be too long before a regular run of fish will be the norm in the Connecticut River.

Most of the million eggs were sent to the new salmon installation in Bethel, Vermont. The Roger Reed Hatchery in Palmer produced 375,000 eggs with 150,000 more to come. They will be reared at that installation.

The predicted heavy fall run did not happen this year. Only four fish were captured and all in the Salmon River in Connecticut. The surviving smolts from this year's hatching will be returned to the river in two years. The results will show up four years from now.

The new address for the Boston Office of the Marine and Recreational Vehicles is the Saltonstall State Office Building, 100 Cambridge Street, Boston, Mass. 02202. The registration of motorboats, snowmobiles, trail bikes, and all-terrain vehicles will be processed only at the Boston office and the Springfield office at 165 Liberty Street.

Ran in to Bob Briggs in Tolland the other day. He is up there trying to bag a big eight-point buck. He stated that the buck had made a "100" scrapes in one week. Then he cut his estimate down to "50" after I questioned the 100 statement.

It seems that Bob arrives at Peg and Gene Papa's lunch room

around 10 in the morning for breakfast. When Bob returns back to the hunt, the wily old beast has visited his scrapes and made new ones. Bob should miss breakfast some morning and he might surprise the "Ghosts of the Woods" in his love luring task.

Not too long ago, the area known as Norfolk Road was a wild area and only hunted by a few hardy individuals that didn't mind walking in four miles for some good deer hunting. The state bought the land and a few roads were constructed for timbering and servicing

the area.

The last few years during gun week for deer, the place is overrun by hunters. Last year, it was estimated by a few old timers that 20 bucks were taken the first day. Any day of the week of deer season last year, you could count from 10 to 20

cars parked on the roads adjoining the area.

This year, with the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife allowing one deer with the bow and one with the gun, Norfolk Road resembled last year's gun week. Last Saturday, I counted 11 cars parked in the area.

So far I have only heard of two deer being taken by archers in the area. Bob Gaj of Agawam took a 196-lb. buck and a bow hunter and his wife took a small doe.

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Those tiny and colorful U.S. postage stamps—which adorn letters of all types and sizes—have a lot of interesting stories to tell.

For example, highlights of black American history dating back as early as the American Revolution are reflected on U.S. issues. In all, more than a dozen stamps pay tribute to significant contributions made by Blacks toward the development of our nation.

The first such issue appeared in 1940 when Booker T. Washington, the noted educator, statesman and founder of Tuskegee Institute, was honored on a 10-center.

In 1948, Dr. George Washington Carver, the noted agricultural scientist, appeared on a commemorative.

Frederick Douglass, the 19th-century civil rights advocate, was the next Black to appear on a stamp. It was issued in 1967.

A year later, Peter Salem, a Revolutionary War figure, was so honored, and in 1969, the W.C. Handy commemorative stamp was issued as a tribute to America's "Father of the Blues."

Henry O. Tanner, a talented painter who gained international fame while living in France, was honored in 1973. Two years later, Salem Poor, another Revolutionary War hero, and well-known poet Paul Laurence Dunbar were featured on commemoratives.

In 1978, the U.S. Postal Service began issuing a Black Heritage USA series of commemoratives. Harriet Tubman, famed conductor of the Underground Railroad which carried many Blacks to freedom prior to the Civil War, was portrayed on the first stamp in this series. The 13-cent Tubman issue also marked the first time that a black woman had appeared on a U.S. stamp.

Three other commemoratives have been issued as part of this series. These stamps honored Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., civil rights leader and Nobel Peace Prize recipient; Benjamin Banneker, noted mathematician and astronomer; and Whitney M. Young, Jr., former executive director of the National Urban League.

A 35-cent regular stamp was issued this past June honoring Dr. Charles R. Drew. (Regular issues are printed in larger quantities and are available for much longer periods of time than commemoratives.) Dr. Drew is credited with developing techniques for separating and preserving blood.

U.S. stamps will continue to highlight prominent black American faces, places and events. For example, pianist and composer Scott Joplin will be honored on a stamp scheduled for issuance sometime during 1983. Others are sure to follow.



Critics Choice

By Diana Willard

I have always been impressed with the quality of work done by the Suffield Players. Their current production of Noel Coward's *Private Lives* is no exception.

Coward's work has often been criticized as "light," "fluffy," or "thin." While I can't argue that *Private Lives* offers a moral message or deals with a great social problem, it is full of insights into human nature. That makes it, in my mind, more than simple entertainment.

The cast is small, five in all. They are a delightful blend of contrasts.

The principal characters are Elyot Chase and his ex-wife Amanda Prynne. Each has remarried and is honeymooning with their new mate - at the same French resort! Their chance meeting rekindles old fires and the two run away to Paris leaving only a note for their respective spouses.

Lyle Pearsons and Linda Kelley complement each other beautifully in the lead roles. They emanate an aura of sophistication, worldliness and passion combined with more than a touch of free spirit which makes their pairing off seem inevitable and right.

Even the sparks which fly as a result of their volatile natures are presented as an integral part of their tempestuous relationship.

Diane Novack and Bill Corsair as the abandoned husband and wife are equally impressive. Ms. Novack plays Sybil with a touch of childishness that makes her irritating, yet deserving of our sympathy.

I found Bill Corsair's Victor the most endearing character on stage. He is bewildered and hurt, yet possesses such a good heart that he shines as a tribute to human nature.

Kit McCarty makes a brief appearance as the French maid Louise and demonstrates pure comedy. Even those in the audience with no knowledge of French had a good idea of what she was saying!

My only negative criticism deals with the set in Act I. The action takes place on the hotel balcony. The balcony railing was both aesthetic and functional. Director Waldo Goodermote utilized it for maximum effect, often having his actors directly facing the audience. However, once the actors moved upstage sight-lines were sometimes blocked by the railing.

Most annoying were the large floral arrangements at either end. Due to these beautiful yet obstructive bouquets, my entire table did not see the facial expressions during Elyot's and Amanda's first encounter. The set was changed for Acts II and III, and the problem was eliminated.

Private Lives is an excellent choice for an evening of theater. The show will play at Mapleton Hall, Suffield, every Friday and Saturday through November. Curtain is at 8 o'clock. Tickets may be obtained by calling (203) 623-4483.



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From The Third

By State Rep.
Edward W. Connelly
Third Hampden District

Last week the House dealt with a number of pay issues that have created some confusion. One newspaper's headline blared "Legislative OKs VIP Raise Bill" and highlighted the public outrage and defeat at the polls of the 1979 halloween payraise. In fact, the legislature sent the Governor a bill to create a five person pay advisory board. The committee, a body of business leaders and elected officials was proposed many months ago, but was not approved by the Senate until last week. The board is directed to make recommendations about salaries for legislators and constitutional officers. Those recommendations would then be presented to the House and Senate for consideration. Obviously the above headline is quite misleading.

Another pay issue brought to the fore in last week's House debate was the issue of collective bargaining contracts for state employees. For many reasons, this has created considerable misunderstanding. Over \$30 million in collective bargaining deficiencies were placed before the Governor in the last week in October. Traditionally, such appropriations are funded through the controversial "collective bargaining reserve". Some of you will remember that the collective bargaining reserve was a major issue in the Better Budget. When we proposed the Better Budget, we eliminated this \$24 million because we believed that state agencies should be, and were financially capable of, assuming responsibility for their own collective bargaining. Our argument was simple: when you enter into a bargaining session, you do exactly that—bargain. You do not say, "We have X number of dollars, how much of it do you want?"

On November 2, the Governor reduced to \$0 the line items in six collective bargaining bills. The press frequently used the term "Vetoed" for this action. However, all the contracts are approved—the Governor did not veto. The salary and wage benefit obligations are fully funded for Fiscal 1981 from the collective bargaining reserve. The salary and benefit obligations for the current fiscal year are fully funded under existing agency appropriations. Simply stated, this means that no NEW funding for salaries has been approved for this year, but state employees whose contracts would have to be laid off to have enough money in the process would get those raises because they were already allocated in the budget. Any anticipated fringe benefit changes were to be funded from existing agency appropriations.

But, some contended that some state employees would have to be laid off to have enough money in the agency budget to honor the employment contract. No one really knows if this would be necessary because projected lay-off figures differ from source to source. The biggest problem is difficulty in determining how many unfilled job slots could be eliminated as opposed to laying-off people actually working.

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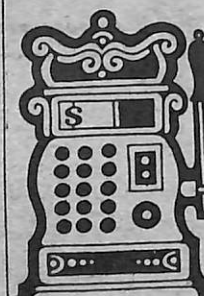
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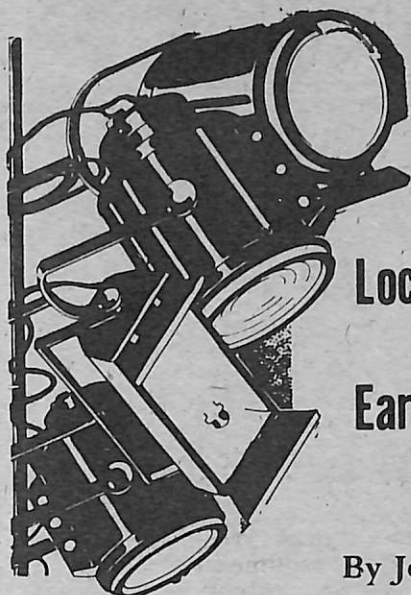
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SPOTLIGHT FEATURE

Local Therapist Enhances Early Childhood Education

By Joanne Brown

Carol Gawle is an invaluable resource person to youngsters in the Agawam School System and will soon become such to professionals in her field nationwide.

A speech therapist in Agawam's early childhood education program, Ms. Gawle has been asked to present her master's thesis at the national convention of the American Speech, Language, and Hearing Association set for November 19-23 in Los Angeles.

Ms. Gawle, who is a member of the association, will read her paper, present visual aids, and field questions from colleagues in attendance.

"Basically what I researched were speech patterns of stroke victims in order to prescribe therapy for specific problems," she explains. "My findings are new and somewhat controversial so I'm preparing to answer many questions."

She points out that effects in timing of speech suffered by stroke victims are similar to those afflicting brain-damaged children, and her research has helped her understand the youngsters' problems better. She even has one student currently in the early childhood program with whom she is able to test her up-to-date studies.

Ms. Gawle is one of several specialists who work in the early childhood program overseen by the Department of Special Education. As a 2/3-time therapist, she devotes each morning to working with individual students and then puts in additional time assisting children to improve speech and language in group situations.

"I focus on language actually being used by the students now in order to improve it," she notes. In fact, she is currently following youngsters around



Individuals involved in Agawam's early childhood education program for special needs children are, from left to right back row, Sean Navone; Mrs. Linda Nicholson, class aide; Ms. Carol Gawle, speech therapist; and Tony Corris. Front row, Michael Langevin, Chad Roy, Ms. Jeannie Weber, head teacher; Crisie Myers, Justin Stoddard, and Nikole Seymour. Craig Day was absent when this picture was taken. Photo by Jack Devine.

with pen and paper in hand to record words and sounds they use.

"With really serious cases, I first encourage them to talk, to say anything at all, and then work on correcting their speaking habits," she says.

Jeannie Weber has taken over as head teacher of the early childhood program this year. Ms. Weber, who has both bachelors and masters degrees from Tufts University, has had much experience in teaching and with therapy involving special needs children.

Ms. Weber sees part of the role of teacher as a resource to answer questions and offer information to parents who are often scared and very nervous about raising children with handicaps.

"I tell these parents we all have special needs and our program just depends on how much help each of us may need to deal with the severity of our problems," Ms. Weber points out.

She continues, "Parents should not be scared when they find out their child has a special need. Our class for those in their early childhood years is designed so that a child's first experience in school is a successful one. We believe that frustration and failure might hurt children more than their original handicaps."

This year's class currently totals eight, all between 5 and 6 years old. About half of them were in the program last year, and three others were included following kindergarten screening done last year. She terms

all of the children to have mild to moderate special needs.

According to Grover Gentry, director of early

childhood education throughout the town, the size of this class will probably grow to eleven or twelve following pre-school screenings of three and four year olds to be performed right after Thanksgiving.

Gentry terms this screening procedure optional, but encourages parents to have their little ones tested because the earlier problems are discovered, the better the chances the staff has to improve a child's performance.

"Our program is designed along lines of continual evaluation of the children's progress," Ms. Weber explains. "The majority of our children end up in regular classroom settings, though they may continue to need some special help."

She emphasizes that their goal this year is to mainstream more students into regular kindergartens which may be possible because of their ages.

She relates that her staff is using a modified version of the ERIN (Early Recognition Intervention Network) model which has been in use for the last few years under the class's former teacher, Chris Whalen. "I still prefer the ERIN screening method and assessment scales," says Ms. Weber, "but I've taken the best parts of all programs I've dealt with in previous work to base the actual core of the program on."

The class tries to incorporate basic academic readiness skills such as learning colors, shapes, and numbers, with the development of social skills such as getting along with others.

"Our activities are open-ended so the children can go at their own pace with teachers acting as resource people and directors to help kids experience as many activities as possible within the classroom," she says.

In addition to various other specialists who work with the children, Linda Nicholson, a registered nurse who has changed careers, is always present as a classroom aide to reinforce and support Ms. Weber.

The staff encourages parental involvement and help them learn of their children's problems and how to cope with them in their daily routines, including play therapy.

"I firmly believe that children learn through doing and we all encourage activity as much as possible," Ms. Weber declares.

Alumni Soccer Game

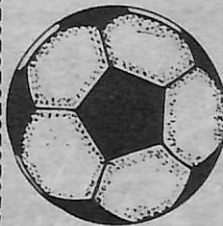
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Phelps School students Dina Ciarmatori, left, and Arthur Arcouette, right, are two of several who are fortunate enough to be able to work with gifted artist-in-residence Shelly Shicoff, center. Ms. Shicoff is at Phelps under the Wide Horizons program which links Agawam's elementary schools with area cultural institutions. Photo by Jack Devine.

Visual Artist In Residence At Phelps

"The students are like sponges. They soak up everything I teach them and want more!"

Shelly Shicoff, artist-in-residence at Phelps School, grins as she describes the students' eagerness to share her talents as a mural painter and visual artist.

Ms. Shicoff, who guided the creation of the History of Agawam mural at Granger School two years ago, is back in the Agawam schools after a year in Rome as a Prix de Rome-winning artist. She is here under the aegis of Wide Horizons and the Artists Foundation.

Wide Horizons, the cultural project in the Agawam elementary schools, has received a grant from the Artists Foundation to fund an artist-in-residence program in each elementary school this year. These artists work in the schools for a period of two to six weeks, sharing their talents with students and teachers and, at the same time, giving the schools the opportunity to see artists at work.

Ms. Shicoff is in residence at Phelps School from October through November. Between hours spent painting in a hallway alcove, she is overseeing the creation of two murals, one by a group of fourth-graders, the other by a team of fifth-graders.

Both murals illustrate the "spirit of children," and Ms. Shicoff helped the students brainstorm the motifs of the murals - children climbing, jumping, swim-

ing, flying kites, bicycling, and dreaming of castles, unicorns, and children flying with wings.

Under Ms. Shicoff's direction, the students are responsible for deciding where each motif will be placed in the murals, choosing and mixing the colors, and painting the murals on large masonite panels. When finished, the murals will be permanently installed in the school.

Phelps teachers are also asking Ms. Shicoff to visit their classes for single art lessons, incorporating letters and numbers in designs for first-graders, painting real and imaginary shelters for third-graders, and creating Indian paper masks for fifth-graders.

Despite her packed schedule, Ms. Shicoff relishes working with the students and marvels at their eagerness to be creative and "soak up" new ideas in art.

Two other artists - a writer and a video artist - will be in residence at the other elementary schools during this year. Wide Horizons makes possible the artist-in-residence program in Agawam with administrative support from the Artists Foundation and additional funds from the Massachusetts Council on the Arts and Humanities and the National Endowment for the Arts.

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

Mon., Nov. 16: Pizza w/cheese topping, tossed garden salad, spiced applesauce, milk
Tues., Nov. 17: Orange juice, hamburger in roll, sliced cheese, buttered green beans, chocolate pudding, milk
Wed., Nov. 18: Tacos w/cheese, lettuce, tomato, sauce, buttered niblet corn kernels, pineapple chunks in syrup, milk
Thurs., Nov. 19: Shepherd's pie w/gravy, wheat bread & butter, chocolate cake w/vanilla icing, milk
Fri., Nov. 20: Cream of tomato soup, tuna salad boat w/cheese, potato puffs, ice cream cups, milk

Agawam Library Plans Activities For Children's Book Week

As part of Children's Book Week, the Agawam Public Library will offer a bedtime storytime for two-year-olds, accompanied by a parent or grandparent, on Tuesday evening, November 17th, from 6:30 to 7 o'clock.

Children may come in their pajamas for stories and fingerplays of special interest to the two and three year olds. A selective booklist featuring literature for young children will be available.

Enrollment is limited, and parents may sign up by calling the library at 789-1550.

The library will offer a special after-school story hour on Thursday, November 19th, from 4 to 5 p.m. in honor of Children's Book Week.

Sarah Elston's Elfin Puppet Theatre will offer an exciting, all-new show featuring the African folk tale 'Why Mosquitos Buzz in People's Ears.'

Any Agawam elementary school aged child may register for this program.

The library will show, free of charge, the Walt Disney classic film 'Babes in Toyland' on Saturday, November 21st, at 2 p.m. The movie, starring Ray Bolger, Annette Funicello, and Tommy Sands, features adventure, comedy and music. Tickets are available at the circulation desk, and children under 5 must be accompanied by a parent.

This program is sponsored by the Agawam Center Library Association in memory of Edward S. Fisk.

Other features at the library throughout Children's Book Week will include various book displays, special booklists for reader's convenience, and commemorative book marks for children who check out materials on their own library cards.

Children's book week is a time when the library highlights the children's services offered all year long.

Pack 75 Prepares Derby

Cub scouts and Webelos of Pack 75 of Sacred Heart Church are once again preparing for their Pinewood Derby race to be held Sunday, November 15th beginning at 2 p.m.

Some seventy boys are competing to become pack champion, and trophies will be given for first, second, and third places.

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Band Picture Night Rescheduled

Picture Night for Agawam bands will remain scheduled for November 18th for those in the Middle, Junior High, and High Schools. Because of conflicts with open houses at several elementary schools, another evening of pictures has been arranged for Wednesday, December 2nd, for all elementary band members and their families.

In addition to viewing movies and slides of band activities, the purpose of picture night will be to form a "Friends of Music" organization for music groups in the Agawam schools.

The programs will be held at the Agawam High School auditorium beginning at 7 p.m. on both evenings. "Friends of Music" groups will include chorus and string groups as well as bands and provide a general support organization for the music program.

Darcy Davis To Act As Regional Music Festival Coordinator

Darcy Davis, director of music for the Agawam School System, will serve as a regional coordinator this year for the new series of music festivals to be run in major amusement parks throughout the country. These festivals will be produced under the name of Music in the Parks.

The Music in the Parks program will feature one and two-day festivals during the spring at the following locations: Busch Gardens, Williamsburg, Virginia; Wonderland, Toronto, Canada; Cedar Point, Sandusky, Ohio; Fun Country, Darien Center, New York; and Dorney Park, Allentown, Pennsylvania.

Also, at Great America, Gurnee, Illinois; Hershey Park, Hershey, Pennsylvania; Great Adventure, Jackson, New Jersey; Kings Dominion, Richmond, Virginia; Kings Island, Cincinnati, Ohio; Opryland, Nashville, Tennessee; and Riverside Park, Agawam.

Festivals at Riverside will be planned for three weekends in May and will include activities for bands, orchestra and choruses with adjudication by nationally known musicians in addition to local sightseeing and visits to the parks where some of the events will take place.

President of the "Music in the Parks" Festivals is Dr. James Wells from West Chester State College, Pennsylvania. Regional directors are John Savage from the University of Virginia and Jon Woods from Ohio State University.

Regional coordinators besides Darcy Davis are Ted Key from Toronto; Dennis Kline from Lakewood, New Jersey; Dave Labar from Kenosha, Wisconsin; Dennis Lavy from Sandusky, Ohio; and Raymond Shahn from Rochester, New York.

Safety Bug Instructs Pre-Schoolers



THE AGAWAM JUNIOR WOMEN'S CLUB SAFETY BUG recently visited Small World Nursery School on the Agawam YMCA grounds to give a few pertinent lessons in safety. Here with the Bug are, from left to right, Tara Melbourne, Jaime Grise, Jason Rossi, and Sean Greeley. Photo by Jack Devine.

Westfield State Initiates Update On Voc.Ed.

Vocational educators in the western part of the state can now obtain the most up-to-date curriculum resource materials available through an outreach program initiated by Professor Lawrence W. Latour at Westfield State College.

The Massachusetts Vocational Curriculum Resource Center in Lexington will be supplying the college with multiple copies of all center publications. As coordinator of the Westfield State College extension program, Latour will also receive copies of the center's Catalog of Materials and will be able to address questions and assist vocational teachers with requests for additional materials and information from the center.

In addition, in January, the Westfield State College library will feature a revolving collection of Vocational Curriculum Resource Center materials, consisting of materials in a predetermined area and rotating on a monthly basis. A list of titles for each month will be available in the preceding month. Materials can be checked out directly from the library.

The monthly calendar is as follows: January, construction trades; February, automotive, auto body, diesel and small engine; March, special needs in vocational education; April, metal fabrication and machine shop; and May, health occupations and cosmetology.

Vocational educators are invited to offer suggestions for other ways in which the Resource Center and its extension in Westfield can better serve their needs. The Lexington Center now has a tollfree number, 1-800-362-4371, or call Professor Latour in the Education Department at WSC, 568-3311, ext. 327.

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The workshop will introduce ways in which people can use herbs for holiday time as gifts, decorations, and additions to meals. Samples will be on hand to see and taste. Mary Dupuis, a West Springfield-based herbalist, will conduct the workshop which is open to the public for a fee and with advanced reservations.

Laughing Brook's Audubon Shop is publishing a book on herbs entitled "The Herb Lady's Cookbook: Identifying, Cultivating, and Using Herbs." A public reception and book sale and signing is set for Saturday, November 21st, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Mary Dupuis, longtime herbalist and teacher at Laughing Brook, is the author of the book in which she shares her best recipes for meals, appetizers, and desserts. Details of growing and maintaining herbs specifically chosen for this region are included.

The reception and book signing is free to the public, and refreshments will be served.

The Massachusetts Audubon Society will conduct a tour of the City of Springfield's water supply on Saturday, November 21st. The tour is open to the public by reservation and a minimal fee is charged to cover bus transportation.

The tour will include a look at the whole water system from the Cobble Mountain reservoir and treatment works to sewage plants and effluent. The early morning time will leave most of the day free for participants and bus transportation will allow time for discussion and comments.

Laughing Brook together with the Allen Bird Club of Springfield will present the third in their series of Audubon Wildlife films on Saturday, November 21st at 8 p.m.

"Superior - Land of the Woodland Drummer" is personally presented by cinematographer Tom Sterling at the Duggan Jr. High School on Wilbraham Road, Springfield. The film follows the activities of several wildlife species particularly associated with wild places.

This film is open to the public with admission at the door at \$2.50 for adults and \$1.50 for students.

For more information on any of these programs please call Laughing Brook at 566-8034.

Westfield State Art Professor Displays Slavic Art

Using two examples of Byzantine Icon art from the Tretyakov Russian collection, Dr. Vladimir Brodsky, assistant professor of art at Westfield State College, will show the effects of evolution on Byzantine paintings from the 12th to the beginning of the 15th century at the Five College Slavic Studies Faculty Seminar.

The seminar is to be held on Thursday, November 19th, at Smith College in Northampton. Dr. Brodsky is the featured speaker this month. Interested faculty members from each of the five colleges - Amherst, Smith, Mount Holyoke, the University of Massachusetts, and Hampshire - present potential topics to a committee which then selects a guest speaker.

Dr. Brodsky's presentation will begin at 8 p.m. and is titled "The Iconography of the Virgin with Child in Byzantine Painting: the Problem of Evolution."

Phelps School Slates Open House

Phelps School will hold an open house from 7 to 9 p.m. on November 18th. The evening is designated for parents to meet with their children's teachers to discuss school progress. If more than the five minutes allotted is necessary, further conferences may be scheduled.

Kindergarten appointments have already been scheduled for the same evening and for November 25th.

Artist-in-residence Shelly Shicoff will also be available to meet with parents of the grades 4 and 5 mural core groups.

Raffle tickets for a turkey will be sold by the P.T.O. throughout the evening.

AHS Student Store To Donate To Ambulance

The staff of the Agawam High School student store has decided to donate 10% of their proceeds for one week to the Ambulance Fund now being conducted by the Agawam Firemen's Association to purchase a new ambulance to service the residents of town.

Operated by the Retail Merchandising class at the high school under the direction of teacher Rudy Altobelli, the store's officers are Dede Moore, president; Kris Riblett, vice-president; Beth Johnson, secretary; and Michelle Mills, treasurer.

Profits from the student store are used for student scholarships.

YMCA Sponsors Teen Basketball Turkey Shoot

The YMCA is offering an exciting 3 on 3 Basketball Turkey Shoot Tournament. This program is for teens, both boys and girls, ages 13-17 years.

Applicants are required to make up their own teams of three players. The tournament will be held at the YMCA, 275 Chestnut Street, Springfield, on November 16th through 20th. Cost per team is \$6 upon advanced registration of November 12th.

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If you notice a blister (you'll probably feel it before you see it), resist the urge to break it. If you "pop" the blister, you will

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courages safe healing and also cushions the blister so that your shoe will not rub against it.

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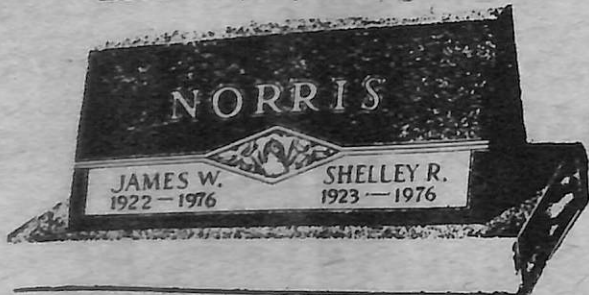
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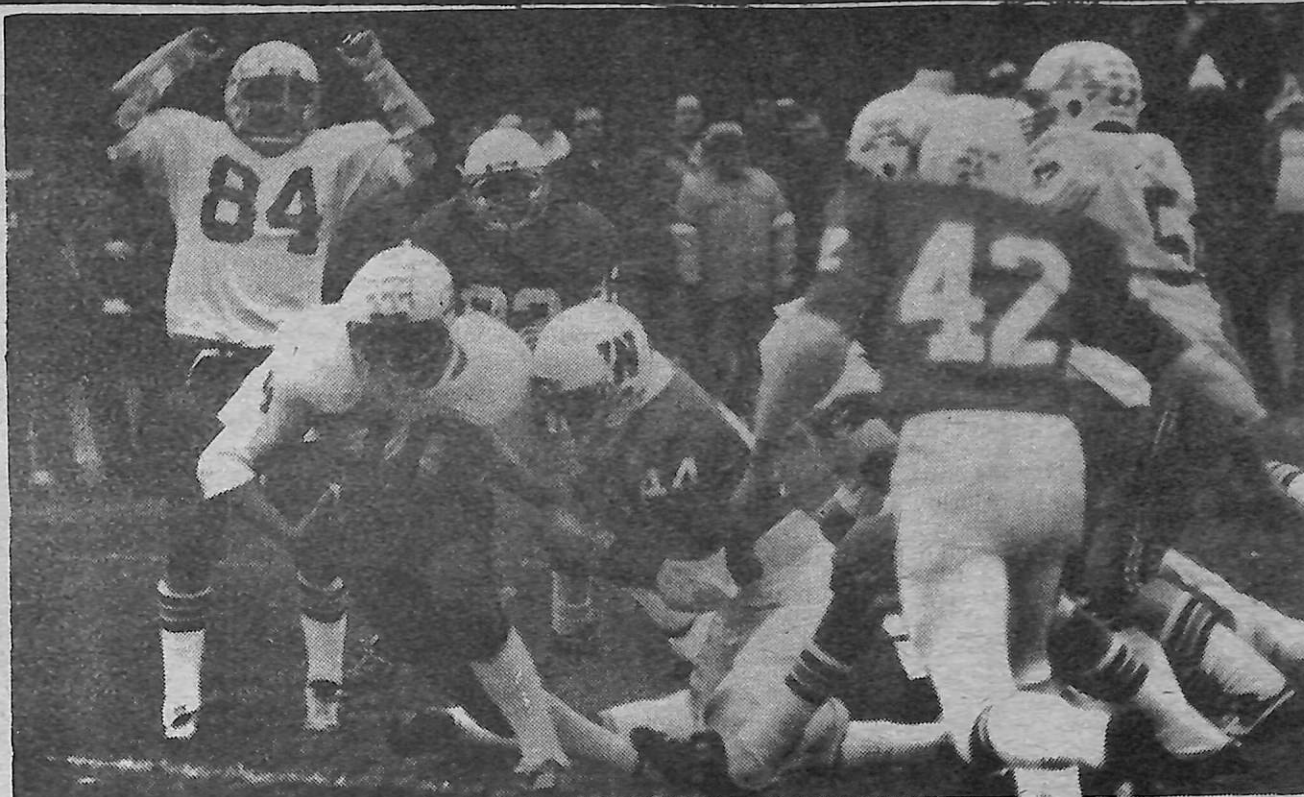


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SPORTS



BROWNIES' QUARTERBACK SCOTT NEGRUCCI (10) plunges in for his first of two touchdowns in the game against Westfield while teammate Jim Egan (84) jumps up with the age-old signal of a score. The Brownies lost the heartbreaker 22-21. Photo by Jack Devine.

Bombers Beat Brownies In Heartbreaker

By George Sandlin

Last Saturday at Westfield's Municipal Field, the locals suffered their first setback this fall at the hands of the Westfield Bombers, 22-21.

This contest fulfilled its promise of keeping the spectators on the edge of their seats as it featured five different changes of lead. The loss greatly diminishes Agawam's hopes of gaining a Super Bowl berth. Despite the loss, however, the Brownies performed in one of their best games of the year.

One of many possible causes of the setback is the opening kickoff when Westfield's Brian Woods tore through Agawam's coverage on his way to six points only to be dragged down from behind by Mark Tessicini at Agawam's 26. After the Brownies hung tough, the Bombers had to settle for a Jeff Beach-field goal.

On their initial possession, the Brownies could not get much offense together and had to punt.

With Westfield on its own 30, quarterback Denny Bein fumbled, and Clark Dore quickly pounced on the pigskin. Eight plays later, quarterback Scott Negrucci, Agawam's offensive stalwart of the game, scored his first of two touchdowns on a four-yard sprint to the goal line. Placekicker Peter Lindsay converted his first of three PAT's to make the count 7-3.

Early in the second stanza, the Bombers' Denny Bein capped a 13-play, 68-yard march with a one-yard plunge to paydirt which proved to be one of two touchdowns he made during the game, including the

gamewinner. Jeff Beach's 26-consecutive PAT string was snapped when his kick went wide.

Agawam concluded the scoring in the first half when Negrucci marched the Brownies 71 yards and put the finishing touches on this drive by a one-yard lash into the endzone.

Negrucci finished with 81 yards rushing on sixteen attempts and fared exceptionally well in the passing department with eleven complete in 23 passes. These brought his career high to 151 yards including his seventh touchdown toss to tight-end John Wright. Negrucci's day also featured an interception on the final play of the first half.

After coming out of the lockerroom from halftime, both clubs traded touchdowns in the third period. The key to Westfield's successful touchdown drive was the running of halfback Eric Moller.

At Agawam's 48 facing a third and long situation, Moller bolted 36 yards to sustain the drive which he eventually terminated with a three-yard dash to paydirt. When Bombers' quarterback Denny Bein tried to run for the two-point conversion, he was denied success by Agawam's Mike Beaudette.

Agawam's main weapon in their scoring march was Scott Negrucci's throwing arm. On third down on Westfield's 43, Negrucci lofted an aerial to Tim Ayre, who hauled in the overthrown pass with a spectacular one-handed grab. Ayre finished the day with 86 yards on four receptions while piling up twelve tackles on defense.

Negrucci's touchdown pass of three yards to John Wright capped this drive.

In the fourth quarter with the Brownies sporting a 21-15 advantage and only four minutes remaining, a sense of victory came over the visiting crowd, but this feeling was premature.

Facing a critical fourth and four situation on Westfield's 45, the Brownies elected to pass and the ball fell short. Westfield then took the ball 24 yards in four chunks of yardage run by Moller and Brian Woods. On fourth down on Agawam's 31, Bein tossed an aerial over a confused Brownie secondary and Woods took it to the four.

With one minute left, Bein went over right guard from one yard out to make the game-tying touchdown. Jeff Beach's extra point clinched the winning margin for the Bombers at 22-21.

The Brownie defense did a terrific job containing Westfield's Lance Hedge, limiting him to 52 yards on fifteen plays. Paving the way for double figures on tackles were Tim Ayre, Scott Josephson, Allan Brown, Steve Grassetti, and Dan Giordano.

Statistics bear out that the contest was fairly even from the outset. Westfield had 15 first downs to Agawam's 12 but claimed a rushing advantage with 225 yards to the locals' 114. In the running department, Agawam earned 151 yards to a rather small 50 yards for Westfield.

Agawam resumes AA conference play at home on November 14th against Holyoke's Purple Knights. Head Coach Jack Michalak feels that Holyoke may have the most talent of all teams in the conference. The Knights have lost only one game, to Westfield in a 7-6 tussle.

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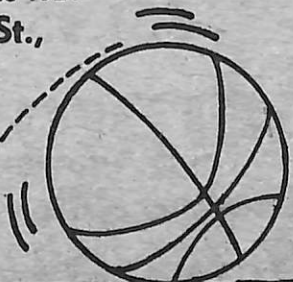
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Varsity Booters In Playoff Competition

By Charles J. Duclos

Even though Agawam tied two and dropped one of their last three games, Coach Bob Sartwell and his boys' soccer team managed to cop a berth in the Western Mass. playoffs which began last Wednesday. The Brownies' overall record for regulation play was 9-5-2, one of the most impressive in the school's history.

On November 4th, Agawam headed for the hills of Amherst where nip-and-tuck action produced a 1-1 even-up for the co-leaders of the Churchill Division.

Amherst jumped to an early first period lead, but Billy O'Brien, on what had to be one of the most exciting shots of the season, tied it up before the end of the first quarter. O'Brien took a shot on goal with four or five defensemen forming a wall between himself and the goalie. Billy arrowed one perfectly through the line at shoulder-height and arced it past the goalie's outstretched hands.

The remaining action was rough and tumble with neither side giving an inch or goal. Art Chase, our goalie, played an outstanding game, and, in a few instances, his life was saved by fullbacks John Duggan, Jim Podgorski, and Dave Stratton.

Moving over to Northampton, Agawam picked up its third loss of the season in a 2-1 defeat. The Brownies failed to capitalize on a couple of first-period opportunities.

Hamp took the lead in the first minute of the second quarter; however, Billy O'Brien and Davey Jenks paired up to even the score. On a pass from O'Brien, Jenks broke away from the defenders at mid-field and scooted towards the net, where he left-footed a net-ripper with the force of Dirty Harry's .357.

Northampton closed the Brownies' door before halftime with another and final goal.

Agawam's last goal of the season came last Monday with a 1-1 tie against the South Hadley Tigers. Tony Caputo went into the record book as having scored the Brownies' final goal of this season.

Don't forget the alumni(ae)/varsity games this Sunday at the high school. The girls will take the field at 1 p.m. and will be followed at approximately 2:00 by the boys.

Girls Enter W.Mass. Tourney

By Charles J. Duclos

There was no way Coach Barbara Stevens was going to be left out of the Western Mass. Tourney. Right from the start, she maneuvered her girls' soccer squad effectively through its paces and recognized the talent at hand. By season's end, a 9-3-4 record (10-3-4 when we count a playoff game against Chicopee Comp to enter the tournament) was in the books, a most impressive tally.

The high school eleven dropped the last two competitors in the following manner: Westfield was shutout 3-0 with Lena Kozloski and Lisa Chevalier teaming to give the Brownies the lead as Chevalier was credited with the goal. Diane Goodman and the team's leading scorer Tami Fassnacht also sank one apiece with assists going to Marie Kozloski and Diane Goodman.

Impressive record were turned in by a good number of teams throughout the valley this season, and Agawam took a place in the tournament thanks to Lori Costa's goal and Diane Goodman's assist in the 1-0 victory against Chicopee Comp.

In girls' junior varsity action, Coach Lynda Kunasek turned in a 5 and 5 season's record with her team, the first in the history of AHS. Kunasek reports she is delighted with the final record and with her team's overall efforts.

"Many of these kids have had little experience. A few came from Bill O'Brien's Agawam Soccer Association's team. All gave their best, and we looked forward to a more rewarding season next year," said Kunasek.

The j.v.'s shutout Westfield 5-0. Cari Szabla sank two, while solos went to Jolene Mercadante, Barb Kierkla, and Maria Ollari, who was also credited with an assist.

In a non-scheduled game, Agawam again shutout the opposition, this time in the form of Enfield's Our Lady of the Angels High School. Cari Szabla did a repeat performance of the Westfield game and slipped in two, while Maria Ollari and Kris Letendre singled. Assists went to Kris Letendre and Missy Sullivan in this 4-0.

ASA Girls Go To Playoffs

On the final day of regular season play in the Agawam Soccer Association's Girls Division, both age groups resulted in a first place deadlock.

In the 9-10 division game between the previously undefeated Blue Devils and second place Green Machine, a second half goal scored by Susan Andry of the Green Machine proved to be the game-winner to put her team in a tie for first place. Both teams have identical records at 9-1-0.

A playoff game to determine the division champions will be played Saturday, November 14th, at 1 p.m. at St. John's Field.

In the 11-14 division game between the previously undefeated Unknowns and second place Raiders, a second half goal by Cindy Slate carried the Raiders past their opponents to tie up this division's first place standings.

That win by the Raiders sets up a playoff game for Saturday, November 14th, at 11:30 at Shea's Field.

Agawam 8-10 Hockey Team Posts Victory

The Agawam Hockey Association's 1981-82 squirt (8-10) hockey team, sponsored by Agawam's Simon Container Machinery Inc., posted an impressive 8-0 victory Saturday against Holyoke.

Derrick "Deke" Egan, in his debut in goal, played a strong game which led to the shutout. Team play and good defensive work was led by backliners Brendon Blake, Craig LaPierre, and Doug Asseline.

Agawam's attack was spurred by 4-point games from Chris Shuman (3 goals, 1 assist) and Michael Keeney (1 goal, 3 assists). Other goalscorers included Jagger Griffen, Dan Fuigel, and Tommy Locke.

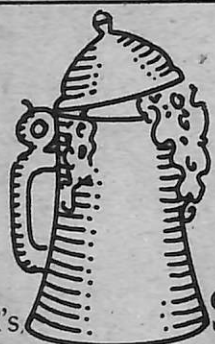
Other playmakers posting strong games were wingers Chris Rochford, Danny Asseline, and Steven Morse.

Agawam's next league game is November 21st at 10 a.m. at the Springfield Olympia in West Springfield. All are invited to come out and support youth hockey. Admission is free.

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Williams' Wolves	4	3	2	10
Cosgrove's Cosmos	3	4	3	9
Shameklis' Cougars	2	2	5	9
Canata's Appollos	3	6	1	7
Noll's Tornados	2	5	2	6
Deveno's Toros	0	7	2	2
11-12 DIVISION				
Merceri's Sounders	9	0	1	19
DiLullo's Appollos	5	2	3	13
Poole's Falcons	4	3	3	11
Gerstung's Mustangs	3	3	3	9
Mailloux' Tornados	2	6	2	6
Kozloski's Beacons	1	8	0	2
9-10 DIVISION				
Whittaker's Blue Devils	9	1	0	18
Green Machine	9	1	0	18
Willard's Gold	5	3	2	12
Piccoli's Tornados	4	5	1	9
DaPonde's Beige Bombers	4	6	0	8
Mickey's Roadrunners	4	6	0	8
Manning's Red Devils	2	8	0	4
Voight's Thunderbirds	0	7	3	3
11-14 DIVISION				
Adamski's Unknowns	9	1	0	18
Slate's Raiders	9	1	0	18
Tallon's Lucky Ladies	4	5	1	9
Jochim's White Lightning	3	5	2	8
Piccoli's Tornados	1	7	2	4
Porth's Blue Bombers	1	8	1	3

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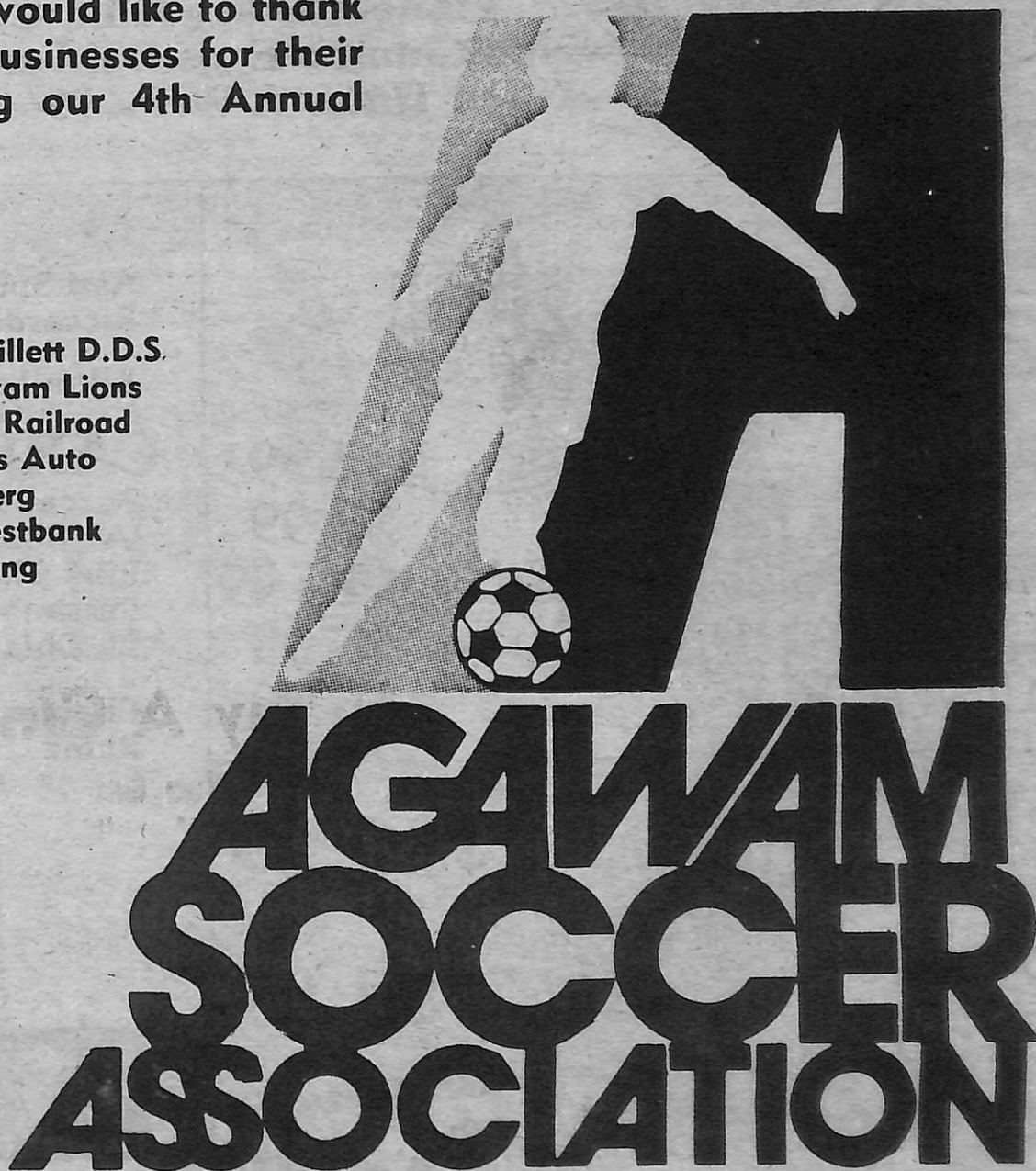
UNDEFEATED, UNSCORED-UPON 9-10 BOYS DIVISION CHAMPION CONNOR'S FALCONS: Front row, L.-R., Ken Hodge, Daniel Harpin, Kevin Paine, Steve Jastrom, Travis Connor, Lawrence McNamara, Christopher Trinchini. Back row, Jeff Retzler, David Whitlock, Larry Sheehan, Marc Scortina, Tom McElligott, Christopher Paltz, and Coach Richard Connor. Photo by Jack Devine.



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